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Applicant : B. L. Royer  
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 For : A System and User Interface Supporting Concurrent Application Initiation  
 and Interoperability  
 Serial No. : 09/817,311  
 Art unit : 2131  
 Examiner :

**Preliminary Amendment**

Hon. Assistant Commissioner for Patents,  
 Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

Please amend the above- identified application as follows.

**In the Specification:**

Amend the specification to include at the beginning of the application This  
application is concurrently filed together with commonly owned related applications, Serial No.  
09/817,322 filed 26 March, 2001, Serial No. 09/817,320 filed 26 March, 2001, Serial No. 09/817,323  
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**REMARKS**

It is requested that this Preliminary Amendment be entered.

No fee is believed due. However, if any fee is due, please charge the fee to Deposit Account  
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Respectfully submitted

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